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2022 Global Australian Awards showcase Australian diaspora leading impact on the global stage

The achievements and contributions of 34 remarkable Australians driving global impact are being recognised and celebrated in the lead up to the 2022 Global Australian Awards.

The Global Australian Awards, presented by [Advance Global Australians](#), recognise the soft power and significant influence of global Australians and international alumni of Australian universities, who are leading crucial advancements on the global stage in industries critical to Australia.

The 34 finalists recognised in this year's Awards work across Asia, Europe, and North America. They join more than 160 eminent Australians who have been recognised as Advance Gamechangers in the Global Australian Awards (previously known as the Advance Awards) over the past 11 years.

Advance Global Australians CEO Johanna Pitman said: "The Global Australian Awards celebrate the often unknown Australian changemakers driving impact across their professions, industries and sectors around the world.

"This year's finalists are tackling global challenges with purpose and persistence, working at the cutting edge of their professions. Through their work and leadership, they are collectively advancing human progress, protecting our planet, exploring new ones, driving social change, and above all, advocating for equality, justice and human rights.

"From scientists to storytellers, mathematicians to musicians, corporate leaders to policy makers, entertainers to entrepreneurs, academics to artists - this year's Global Australian Awards finalists are heroes hidden in plain sight. Advance is proud to shine the spotlight on their incredible impact around the world and build deeper connections with these remarkable Australians back here in Australia."

The winners of each category will be announced during a free, live broadcast at 7:30pm AEST, 7 September. The 2022 Global Australian of the Year, selected by the judging from across the category winners, will be announced during the broadcast. The Awards broadcast will also be available to all Australians via YouTube and ABC iView following the event.

The Global Australian Awards are the only of their kind to recognise the contributions of the Australian diaspora – the 1 million Australians living abroad and 2.5 million former international students of Australian universities. This year's Awards also includes a new category recognising recent migrants to Australia who are having an outsized impact in future-facing industries.

To learn more click [here](#)

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2022 Global Australian Awards Finalists:

Alumni

- [Aisha Jalil](#) - Manager, Women's Game Development Manager, Pakistan Cricket Board
- [Madhavi Shankar](#) - Co-Founder and CEO, SpaceBasic
- [Antoni Tsaputra](#) – Indonesia Chair, Australia Indonesia Disability Research and Advocacy Network

Asia Impact

- [Anuradha Gupta](#) - Deputy CEO, Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance
- [Hum Gurung](#) - Former Regional Project Manager, BirdLife International (Asia)
- [Noni Purnomo](#) - President Commissioner, PT Blue Bird Tbk

The Arts

- [Christel Cornilsen](#) - Director, writer and producer
- [Sarah Grunstein](#) - Concert pianist, arts educator, teaching artist
- [Gaye Sculthorpe](#) - Professor of Cultural Heritage & Museum Studies, Deakin University
- [Tara June Winch](#) - Author

Education & Research

- [Caroline Malcolm](#) - Head of International Public Policy and Research, Chainalysis
- [Phiala Shanahan](#) - Professor of Physics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)
- [Terence Tao](#) - Professor of Mathematics, University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)

Emerging Leaders

- [Elizabeth Jens](#) - Propulsion and Systems Engineer, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory
- [Kate Manne](#) - Associate Professor, Sage School of Philosophy at Cornell University

- [Martin Seneviratne](#) - Clinician Scientist, Google Health

Global Talent

- [Sonu Bhaskar](#) - Director of Global Health Neurology Lab; Founding Director and Chief Investigator of NSW Brain Clot Bank
- [Aida Brankovic](#) - Research Scientist, The Australian e-Health Research Centre CSIRO
- [Shafali Gupta](#) - Co-founder and Co-CEO, Uuvipak

Inspiring Corporate Leader

- [Tanya De Hoog](#) - Principal, Thornton Tomasetti
- [Siobhan Martin](#) - Global Leader Culture, Leadership & Talent, Aegon Asset Management
- [Cameron McLean](#) - Senior Vice President, Europe and Australia, PayPal Inc

Science and Healthcare

- [Stephen Hicks](#) – Oxford Neuroscientist and Co-Founder, OXSIGHT Ltd
- [Barry Kirby AO](#) – CEO and Founder, The Hands of Rescue
- [Rosemary Morrow](#) – Senior Research Scientist, Oceanography, LEGOS

Social Impact

- [Rachel Gwendolyn Barnard](#) - Founder, Young New Yorkers
- [Rachel Davis](#) - Vice President and Co-Founder, Shift
- [Frances Voon](#) - Executive Manager, Kaldor Centre for International Refugee Law

Sustainability

- [Khunapong Khunaraksa](#) - Director of Operations and Strategy / Chairman of the Board, The Circulate Initiative / Masy Consultants
- [Craig Leeson](#) - Filmmaker, Explorer, Keynote Speaker
- [Nicole Rycroft](#) - Founder and Executive Director, Canopy Planet

Technology & Entrepreneurship

- [Seiji Armstrong](#) - Head of Machine Learning, Trust & Safety, Google
- [Kate Crawford](#) - Research Professor at USC Annenberg; Snr Principal Researcher, Microsoft Research
- [Lee Rong](#) - Co-Founder and Chief Marketing Officer, AI-LINK Network

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[Advance.org](https://www.advance.org) links expatriate Australians with Australia. We shine a spotlight on their achievements and support them in their endeavours, wherever they are along the international career lifecycle. Advance is an integral part of Australian 'soft power' abroad. By harnessing the potential of global Australians and keeping them connected with Australia, Advance ensures their talent and ideas will flow back into Australia.

The annual Global Australian Awards are central to Advance's mission. We recognise and celebrate the achievements of global Australians who are at the forefront of their respective fields, to inspire future generations and encourage a global outlook. Now in their 11th year, the Global Australian Awards (previously known as the Advance Awards), are overseen by a Judging Panel of renowned Australians and alumni of Australian universities.

Chaired by Advance Founder and Chairman Emeritus, [Ken Allen AO](#), the judging panel includes [Jillian Broadbent AC](#), [Darren Burns](#), [Michelle Garnaut AO](#), [Alexie Glass Kantor](#), [Sir Michael Hintze AM](#), [Bob Isherwood](#), [Andrew Liveris AO](#) and [Joseph Kwok](#).

The Prime Minister of Australia, the Hon. Anthony Albanese MP, is the Patron of Advance. The board is chaired by Andrew Low and the CEO is Johanna Pitman. A strong network of honorary Advance Ambassadors in the United States, the United Kingdom, Japan, China and Dubai provide an on-the-ground network to connect with and support the Australian diaspora. The Advance Asia Advisory Committee, led by Michelle Garnaut AO, ensures that networks are maintained with dispersed expatriate communities and alumni of Australian universities across Asia.